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"Preserving the past for the future by recalling ever man and woma who ever served here."

JULY 12,1996

" GRENADE II "

GOOD MORNING MEMBERS!

SUMMER VACATION HAS TAKEN ITS TOLL ON OUR WORK FORCE FOR A LIMITED TIME, SO I WILL ATTEMPT TO FILL IN WITH THIS SIMPLE NEWSLETTER TO UPDATE YOU ON OUR PROGRESS SINCE THE LAST ISSUE OF THE "GRENADE II". WE WILL BE BACK IN REGULAR PRINT WITH THE NEXT ISSUE.

AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN SEARCHING SINCE WE FIRST ORGANIZED FOR THE EXACT TEXT THAT APPEARED ON THE ORIGINAL PLAQUE THAT WAS VANDALIZED MANY YEARS AGO FROM THE 91ST INF. DIVISION MONUMENT THAT WAS DEDICATED IN 1942. EARLY THIS YEAR ONE OF OUR MEMBERS DISCOVERED AN ARTICLE IN AN OLD ISSUE OF "THE OREGONIAN" (1942). IT CONTAINED THE WORDING THAT WE HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR.

THROUGH THE GENEROUS DONATION OF ONE OF OUR MEMBERS, WHO WISHES TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS, TOGETHER WITH ANOTHER GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION FROM THE WHITE CITY COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT. THE NEW BRONZE PLAQUE, BEAUTIFULLY SCULPTURED BY OREGON BRASS, PORTLAND, OREGON, MEASURES 20 INCHES HIGH BY 16 INCHES WIDE AND MOUNTED ON THE FACE OF THE TWO HUGE GRANITE BOULDERS AT THE ORIGINAL SITE, READS AS SHOWN IN THE ENCLOSURE.

THE RE-DEDICATION OF THIS SITE, WHICH IS A SMALL ISLAND PARK SURROUNDED NOW BY RESIDENTIAL HOMES, WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, 17 AUGUST,1996. CEREMONIES WILL START AT 11 AM AND IN PART WILL INCLUDE A 50 PIECE BAND, A COLOR GUARD, AND

A CHAPLAIN. THE FEATURED SPEAKER FROM THE RANKS OF THE OLD WWII 91ST DIVISION WILL HIGH-LIGHT THE PROGRAM.

THIS SITE, IF YOU REMEMBER, STOOD IN FRONT OF THE DIVISION HQS AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING WHERE ON 15 AUGUST 1942 THE 91ST DIVISION WAS ACTIVATED FOR SERVICE IN WWII. IT HAS TAKEN A WHILE TO REACH THIS POINT IN THE MANY PROGRAMS ON THE SCHEDULE OF THE CWHA. IT IS MOST REWARDING AND ALL MADE POSSIBLE BY THE STRONG SUPPORT OF YOU, OUR LOYAL MEMBERS. OUR RANKS CONTINUES TO GROW, NOW APPROACHING THE 200 MARK! YOUR ASSOCIATION WILL NOT BE TWO YEARS OLD UNTIL 24 AUGUST THIS YEAR.

OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS THIS YEAR INCLUDE OUR REQUEST EARLY IN FEBRUARY FOR FUNDING OF OUR SCHEDULE OF PROJECTS. WE WENT BEFORE THE JACKSON COUNTY ALLOCATION COMMITTEE WITH OUR REQUEST FOR $74,000 TO START OUR MUSEUM PROGRAM. WE WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING THE FULL AMOUNT, BUT WERE ALLOTTED $64,000. DISPERSEMENT OF THIS MONEY WE ARE TOLD WILL BE IN DECEMBER. OUR PRIORITY OF COURSE NEXT YEAR WILL BE THE BUILDING OF THE CAMP WHITE MUSEUM FOLLOWED BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MAIN CAMP WHITE MONUMENT. OUR COLLECTION OF MEMORABILIA TO BE DISPLAYED IN THE MUSEUM HAS REACHED 1800 PIECES PRESENTLY STORED IN FACILITIES AT THE VA DOMICILIARY IN WHITE CITY. IN THE MEANTIME WE CONTINUE TO DISPLAY PART OF THESE ARTIFACTS AT VARIOUS FUNCTIONS AND THE SCHOOLS. YOUR GIFTS TO OUR COLLECTION ARE NOT GATHERING DUST, BUT ARE BEING ENJOYED BY THE VIEWING PUBLIC UNTIL PERMANENTLY HOUSED IN THE MUSEUM ALL IN AN EFFORT TO PRESERVE THE HISTORY OF CAMP WHITE AND THAT OF THIS GREAT NATION.

EVERY BRANCH OF THE ARMED FORCES IS REPRESENTED IN OUR MEMBERSHIP ALONG WITH OUR MANY CIVILIAN SUPPORTERS. WE THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS OF MEMORABILIA. OUR NEEDS CONTINUE. MANY OF US HAVE PHOTOS, DOCUMENTS, NEWS

CLIPPINGS, UNIFORMS, INSIGNIAS, SOUVENIRS, MEDALS, FIREARMS AND OTHER ASSORTED MILITARY AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT WE ACCUMULATED DURING WWII. WHAT WILL BECOME OF THESE ITEMS? THEY ARE ABSOLUTELY IRREPLACEABLE.

THEY DESERVE A PERMANENT AND PROTECTED PLACE IN HISTORY. THE CAMP WHITE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION IS ALWAYS HONORED TO RECEIVE THESE ITEMS YOU MAY HAVE NO FURTHER USE FOR. WOULD YOU CONSIDER HELPING US? OUR CURATOR WILL CATALOG AND INDEX YOUR ITEMS, PRESERVE AND PREPARE THEM FOR DISPLAY IN OUR FUTURE MUSEUM, AND CREDIT YOU PERSONALLY AS THE ITEMS DONOR. WE WILL ACKNOWLEDGE BY RECEIPT ALL ITEMS THAT YOU ENTRUST TO OUR SAFE KEEPING. AS A NON-PROFIT, TAX EXEMPT, PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION YOUR GIFT IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

NOW, FROM YOUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES WE WISH ALL OF YOU A PLEASANT SUMMER.

IF YOU ARE AS OLD AS I AM YOU MAY ENJOY THE FOLLOWING.

SIGNS OF AGE.

EVERYTHING HURTS AND WHAT DOESN'T HURT, DOESN'T WORK.
YOU FEEL LIKE THE NIGHT AFTER WHEN YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ANYWHERE.
YOU GET WINDED PLAYING CHESS.
YOUR CHILDREN BEGIN TO LOOK MIDDLE AGED.
YOU KNOW ALL THE ANSWERS, BUT NOBODY ASKS YOU THE QUESTIONS.
YOU LOOK FORWARD TO A DULL EVENING.
YOU TURN OUT THE LIGHT FOR ECONOMIC RATHER THAN ROMANTIC REASONS.
YOU SIT IN A ROCKING CHAIR AND CAN'T GET IT GOING.
YOUR KNEES BUCKLE, BUT YOUR BELT WON'T.
YOUR 17 AROUND THE NECK,48 AROUND THE WAIST, 96 AROUND THE GOLF COURSE.
YOU JUST CAN'T STAND PEOPLE THAT ARE INTOLERANT.

YOU BURN THE MIDNIGHT OIL UNTIL 9 PM.
YOUR BACK GOES OUT MORE OFTEN THAN YOU DO.
YOUR PACEMAKER RAISES THE GARAGE DOOR WHEN YOU SEE A PRETTY GIRL GO BY.
THE LITTLE GRAY HAIRED LADY YOU HELP ACROSS THE STREET IS YOUR WIFE.
YOU SINK YOUR TEETH IN A STEAK AND THEY STAY THERE.

NOW FOLKS ENJOY LIFE AND WHEN THE EDITOR RETURNS YOU WILL AGAIN ENJOY THE REAL "GRENADE II" AS PUBLISHED QUARTERLY.

MEL COTTON
PRESIDENT & CURATOR
CWHA

DEDICATED TO THE

91ST INFANTRY DIVISION
CAMP WHITE
ACTIVATED 15 AUGUST 1942

MARCH - SHOOT - OBEY

ON THIS SITE THE
91ST INFANTRY DIVISION
WAS REACTIVATED TO TRAIN FOR
COMBAT SERVICE IN WW II

THIS PLAQUE REPLACES THE ORIGINAL
THAT WAS LOST FROM THIS SITE

CAMP WHITE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
15 AUGUST 1996

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME_____

STREET_____

CITY_____

STATE_____ ZIP_____ PHONE_____

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: ( ) REGULAR ( ) PATRON ( ) CONTRIBUTOR
$15.00 $25.00 $50.00

DONATIONS:_____ MEMORIAL DONATIONS:_____

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